



Charitable Remainder Unitrust

Prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Phil Anthropist

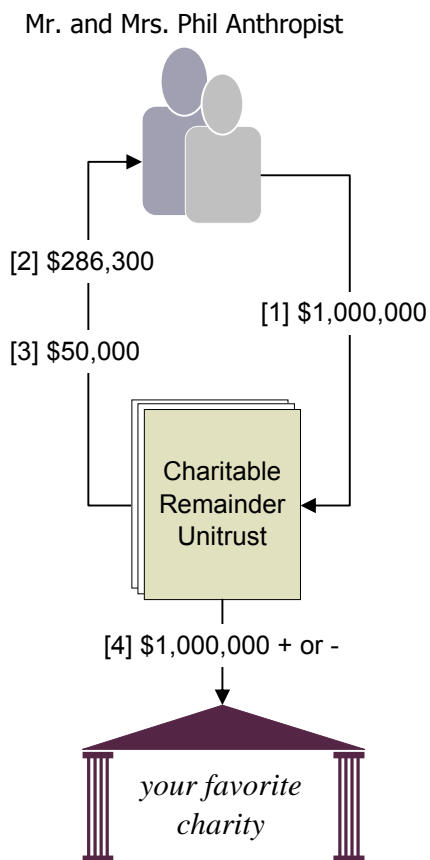
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What is a Charitable Remainder Unitrust?

A **charitable remainder unitrust** is a custom designed and individually managed trust to which you transfer cash or other assets that you would like to convert into an income stream. The trust is tax-exempt; therefore, when it sells any appreciated assets, it pays no ordinary income or capital gains tax. Furthermore, you may receive an income tax deduction for a significant portion of your gift.

The trust, which you may control, manages the trust assets and pays you (and your spouse or others) an annual income for life, a term of years, or combination, after which, the trust assets are distributed or held for the benefit of the charitable organization(s) you have selected.



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Tax and Financial Benefits

Charitable remainder unitrusts offer several significant tax and financial benefits:

Capital Gains Deferral

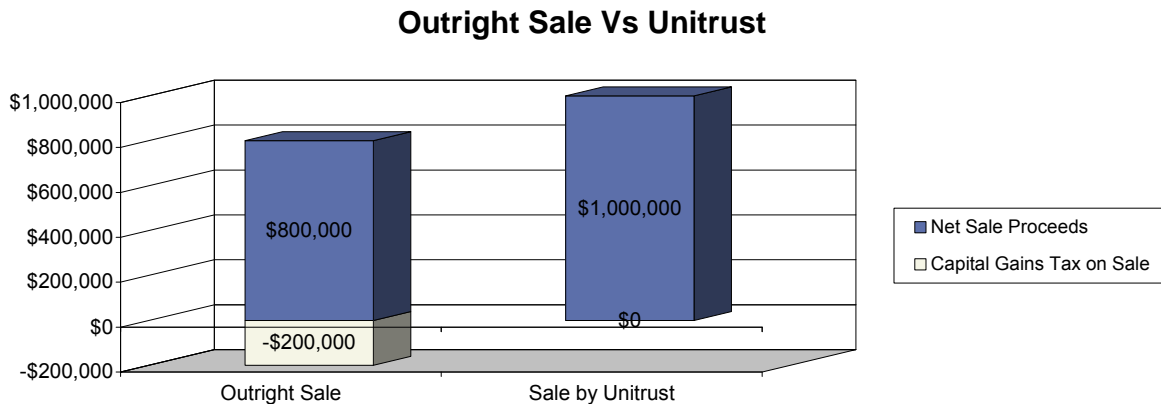
Charitable remainder unitrusts are frequently created by philanthropic individuals who own highly appreciated assets they are reluctant to sell because they would incur a significant capital gains tax.

The transfer of debt-free assets to a qualified charitable remainder unitrust is not considered a sale or exchange. Therefore, you do not realize any capital gain when you transfer appreciated assets to the trust.[1]

In addition, charitable remainder trusts are conditionally exempt from both federal and state income tax.[2] This means the trust does not pay any ordinary income or capital gains taxes when it sells appreciated assets. Income and capital gains are taxable only when they are received by the trust's income recipients under the four-tier system of income accounting. The ability to sell assets without paying capital gains tax increases the amount of capital available for the creation of income to the beneficiaries of the trust.

Increased Cash Flow

Because a charitable remainder unitrust can sell contributed assets tax-free, 100% of your gift can be reinvested to produce income. This often means greater income than if you had sold the asset on a taxable basis outside the trust and then reinvested the after-tax proceeds.



NOTE: The ability of the unitrust to sell assets without paying capital gains tax preserves capital for the creation of income. The above graph assumes an asset value of \$1,000,000 with a cost basis of \$0. Based on a 20% capital gains tax bracket, the outright sale without the trust produces a capital gains tax of \$200,000, reducing the amount available for the creation of income to \$800,000. The outright sale produces income of \$40,000 while the unitrust produces income of \$50,000, assuming a 5% rate of return.

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1. Transferring debt-encumbered assets to a charitable remainder unitrust may cause the trust to fail to qualify and is not recommended.
 2. A trust that has "unrelated business taxable income" (UBTI) loses its tax-exemption for that year and pays income tax in the same manner as taxable trusts (including capital gains tax on the sale of appreciated assets). With proper management, however, UBTI can be avoided.

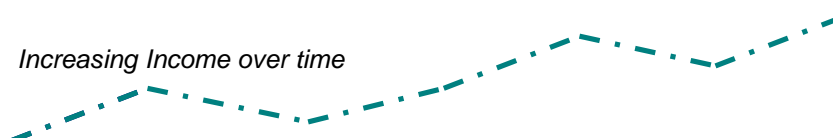
Tax and Financial Benefits

Current Income Tax Deduction

When you create a charitable remainder unitrust, you are making a current commitment to a future charitable gift. Because the trust is irrevocable, you may qualify to receive a current income tax deduction for a portion of your gift.

The combination of avoiding capital gains on the sale of contributed assets and a current income tax deduction often means that instead of writing a check at tax time, you might receive one.

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Income Example



NOTE: With proper investment management and a conservative payout rate selection, the unitrust can provide increasing income over time. When the trust investments produce a rate of return in excess of the payout rate of the trust, the excess is added to the trust's value. The income paid from the trust is based on the value of assets in the trust, thus income increases. Likewise, reductions in trust value will generate a reduction in income.

Retained Control

Even though gifts to a charitable remainder unitrust are irrevocable, you can retain the right to choose who manages and administers your trust; as well as the power to substitute the charitable organization(s) that will ultimately receive the remainder interest.

Continuity of Management

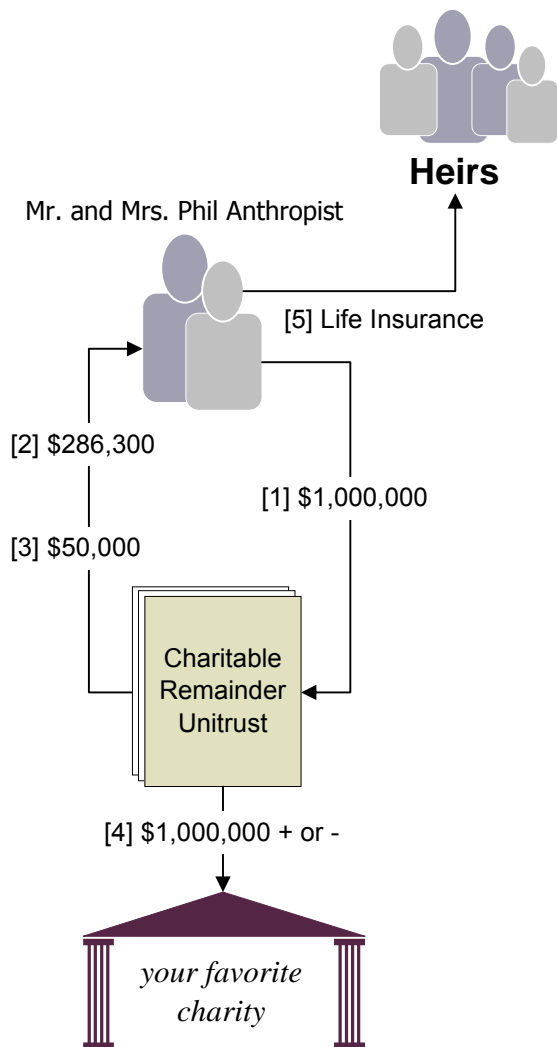
The charitable remainder unitrust not only provides the means to dispose of "high management" assets, it also supplies a mechanism to provide professional investment management during a person's later years when it may be needed most. Charitable remainder unitrusts offer you the peace of mind of knowing that in the event you become incapacitated or disabled, trust assets will be professionally managed and administered to maintain the uninterrupted flow of your income.

Gift and Estate Tax Planning

Transferring assets to a charitable remainder unitrust that pays income to you (and/or your spouse) completely avoids both gift and estate taxes. Naming others, such as children or grandchildren, as income recipients can reduce your gift and/or estate taxes as well.

Tax and Financial Benefits

In addition to the gift and estate tax savings generated by the trust itself, the cash flow created by the charitable remainder trust can be coordinated with other estate planning techniques. The most common combination involves transfer of cash from the donor to an irrevocable life insurance trust, or directly to family members, that is then used to purchase insurance on the life or lives of the donor or donors. Commonly referred to as a wealth replacement trust, the concept often enables donors to give more to charity without disinherit their heirs by replacing the asset given to charity with life insurance proceeds paid for by the additional income and income tax savings created by the trust.



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[5] Life insurance proceeds pass to heirs and replace the value of the asset gifted to the trust.

How Unitrusts Distribute Income

A charitable remainder unitrust pays an amount each year equal to a fixed percentage of its value for that year. The percentage payout rate, which is stated in the trust document, must be at least 5% and can be no more than 50%.

Each year, the trust is valued with that amount multiplied by the payout rate. The resulting unitrust amount is distributed to the income recipients that year, subject to the exceptions discussed below. Payments can be made once per year, or in equal monthly, quarterly, or semi-annual installments.

Payout Options

There are four different payout formats available to charitable remainder unitrusts:

Standard Unitrust. As described above, a standard unitrust pays a fixed percentage of the annual value of the trust assets. If the trust does not have sufficient cash to distribute to satisfy its payout obligation, it must distribute assets. Because standard unitrusts always make the required payment, they are typically funded with liquid assets such as cash or marketable assets such as publicly traded securities.

Net Income Unitrust. Even though a unitrust is supposed to distribute a fixed percentage of its annual value each year, it can include a net income provision that permits it to pay the lesser of the full unitrust amount and actual trust income. This provision protects the trustee from having to distribute illiquid assets to satisfy its payout obligation during times when it lacks sufficient cash.

Net Income with Make-Up Unitrust. In the event the trust includes a net income provision, it can also provide that to the extent trust income in the current year exceeds the required unitrust amount, the trust can distribute any excess income to make up for income deficiencies from prior years. This type of trust is known as a "net income with make-up" unitrust and is designed to balance out income distributions over time.

Flip Unitrust. The fourth and final form of unitrust is known as a "flip" unitrust. It begins life as a net income or net income with make-up unitrust and converts or "flips" to a standard unitrust in the year following the happening of a "triggering" event as described in the trust document (such as the sale of the contributed asset). A flip unitrust can offer the best of both worlds in that it protects trust principal during times when the trust holds non-income producing assets, and then maximizes distributable income and simplifies investment management and administration after the asset is sold. The only potential negative is that any unpaid make-up amount is reduced to zero in the year following the triggering event.

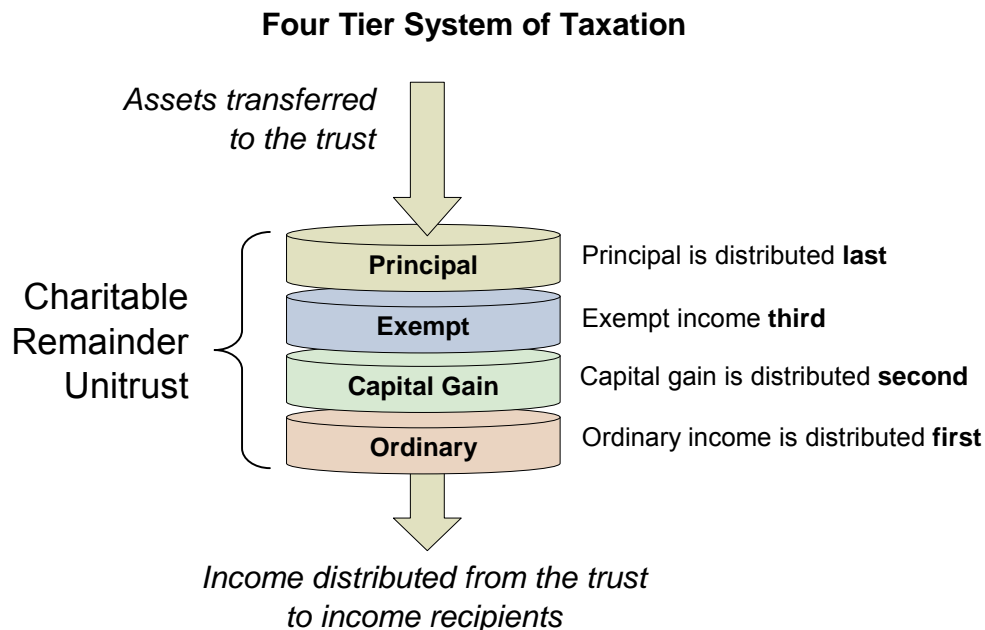
Taxation of Unitrust Distributions

Distributions from a charitable remainder unitrust are taxed to income recipients based on what is known as the **“four-tier system”** of taxation. The system prioritizes the order in which income is distributed from the trust.

Under the four-tier system, to the extent the trust produces any ordinary income in the current or prior years, these amounts are considered distributed first. Capital gains come next, followed by tax-exempt income, and finally trust principal (which is also tax-exempt). As a result, the taxation of income distributions depends entirely on the tax character of the assets you contribute, if and when those assets are sold, and the types of income the trust subsequently earns on its investments.

As a general rule, if you transfer highly appreciated long-term capital gain property to the trust, after which the trustee sells it and reinvests in a balanced portfolio of stocks and bonds, you can expect a portion of your income distributions to be taxable as capital gains and a portion as ordinary income. Conversely, if you transfer tax-exempt bonds and the trustee continues to hold them, your income distributions would be tax-exempt.

After the close of each year, you will receive a Form K-1 that describes the tax character of your income distributions for inclusion on your income tax return.



How Long Does Income Last

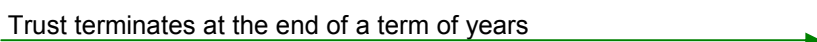
A CRUT can be designed to operate for the **life of one or more individuals, a term of up to 20 years, or a combination of life and term**. In most cases, CRUTs are designed to pay income to the donor or donors for their lifetimes.

Trust Term Options

The **Red vertical line** indicates end of trust term.

[1] Lives Trust terminates at the end of the lives of all beneficiaries 


The trust lasts for the lives of all beneficiaries, then terminates and the assets pass to charity.

[2] Term of Years Trust terminates at the end of a term of years 

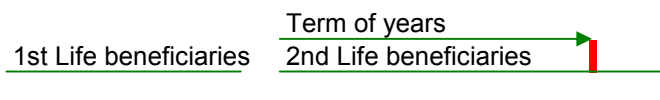
The trust lasts for a term of years written in the trust document, not to exceed 20 years.

[3] The Shorter of Lives or Term of Years 

The trust lasts for a term of years not to exceed 20 or the lives of the beneficiaries, whichever is the shorter of the two.

[4] The Longer of Lives or Term of Years 

The trust lasts for a term of years not to exceed 20 or the lives of the beneficiaries, whichever is the longer of the two.

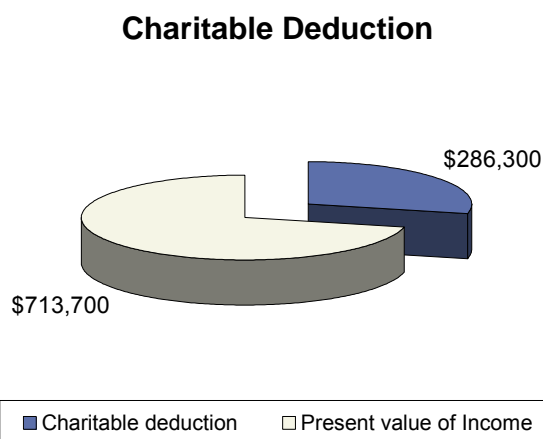
[5] Lives, Limited to a Term of Years, following Other Lives 

The trust pays income to a first set of life beneficiaries (the parents, as an example), then to a second set of beneficiaries (the children, as an example) for their lives or a term of years, the shorter of (as in option [3]).

Planning Note: When an income beneficiary of a trust is other than the donor or donor's spouse, such as a child or grandchild of the donor, gift and estate tax ramifications of the trust design should be reviewed by the donor's counsel.

How the Deduction is Calculated

When a donor contributes cash or other assets to a charitable remainder unitrust, the donor not only avoids recognizing capital gain on the sale of the contributed property; but may also receive a current income tax charitable deduction for a portion of the value of the assets transferred to the unitrust.



NOTE: Based on a contribution of \$1,000,000, the term of the trust and a payout rate of 5%, the charitable income tax deduction would be \$286,300, which may save as much as \$113,375 in taxes based on an ordinary income tax bracket of 39.6%.

The deduction is based on the fact the donor is making an irrevocable commitment to a future charitable gift. The amount of the deduction is determined using IRS formulas that calculate the present value of the future gift. Factors used in calculating the deduction include the:

- **fair market value of the assets** transferred on the date of the gift
- **measuring term of the trust**, which may be based on a term of years, the age of the income beneficiaries, or a combination of the two
- unitrust **payout rate**
- **income payment frequency** (annual, semi-annual, quarterly, monthly), and
- **Charitable Federal Midterm Rate (CFMR)** in effect for the month of the gift or (at the election of the donor) during either of the prior two months.

10% Rule

In order for the trust to qualify, the present value of the gift must be at least 10% of the fair market value of the assets transferred. Depending on the measuring term of the trust, the 10% rule may limit the number of beneficiaries and/or the payout rate that can be used.

Claiming the Charitable Deduction

As discussed in the previous section, when the donor makes a contribution to a charitable remainder unitrust, the deduction is based on the present value of the future charitable gift. However, there are limitations and reduction rules that may limit or reduce the amount of deduction the donor can claim on their income tax return in any given year.

The tax rules are designed so taxpayers cannot use the charitable deduction to completely eliminate their income tax liability. Therefore, the amount of charitable deduction the donor can claim in any given year is limited to a percentage of their income. The percentage depends on:

- the type of property given,
- how it is given,
- and the type of charitable organization to which it is given.

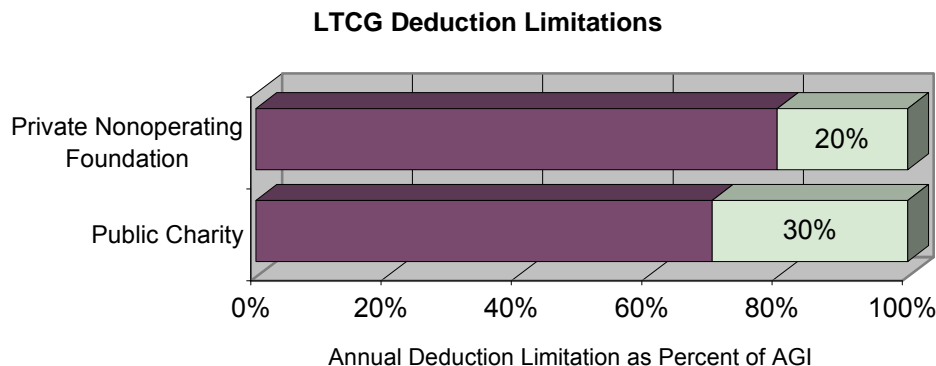
Furthermore, the amount of the deduction may be reduced based on the type of property contributed.

The following rules apply for federal income tax purposes. The rules for state income tax purposes may vary. Consult with your tax professional.

Long-Term Capital Gain Property

Most charitable remainder unitrusts are funded with long-term capital gain property. If the remainder interest will be paid to a **public charity**, the **fair market value of the property** is used to calculate the discounted present value of your gift. You can claim the resulting amount as a deduction against up to **30% of your adjusted gross income** in the year you create the trust.

If your contribution consists of an asset **other than publicly-traded securities** and you name a **private nonoperating foundation** as remainderman, the deduction is based on the lesser of the asset's fair market value and your cost basis. The resulting deduction is subject to a **20% income limitation**.

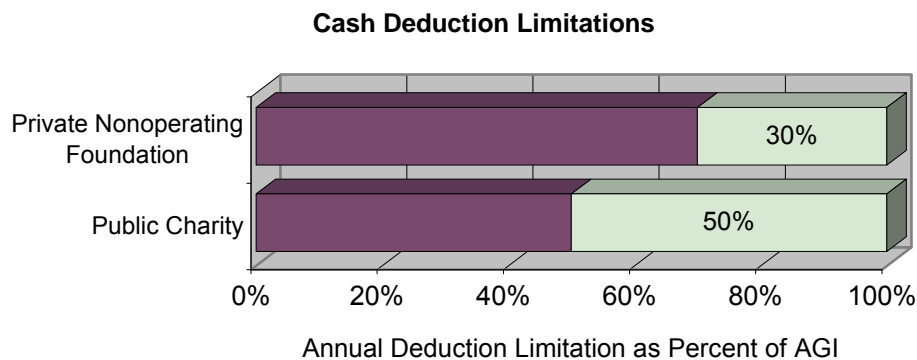


Claiming the Charitable Deduction

NOTE: Contributions to Private Nonoperating Foundations of LTCG assets other than publicly traded stock are not only limited to 20% of AGI, but the deduction is based on the lesser of the FMV of the asset or its cost basis. This may dramatically reduce the deduction.

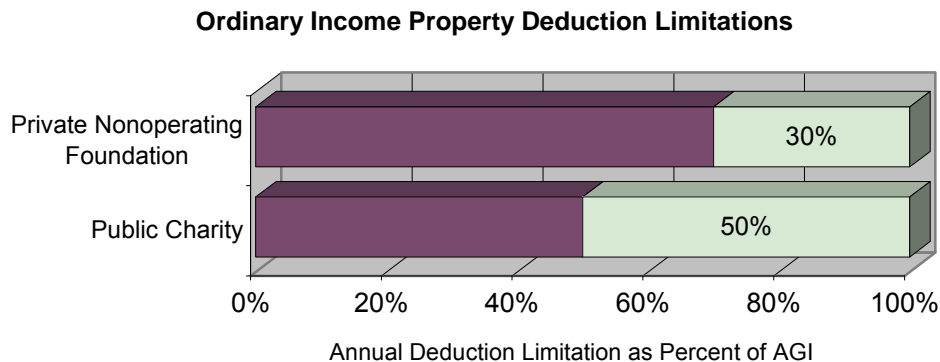
Cash

If you contribute **cash** to a trust that names a **public charity**[3] as the remainder beneficiary, you can use the deduction against up to **50% of your adjusted gross income** in the year you create the trust. If the remainder interest will be paid to a **private nonoperating foundation**, the deduction is subject to a **30% limitation**.



Ordinary Income Property

If you fund the trust with property that if sold would produce **ordinary income**, your deduction is subject to a **50% income limitation**; however, the deduction is calculated based on the lesser of the property's value or your adjusted cost basis. If you name a **private nonoperating foundation** as remainderman, the income limitation is **reduced to 30%**.

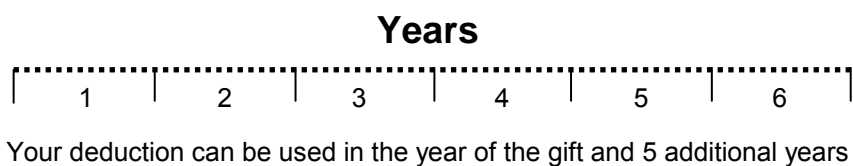


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Claiming the Charitable Deduction

Carryover Rule

In all cases, if you can't use all of your deduction in the year of your contribution, you can carry any excess deduction over up to five more tax years, if necessary.

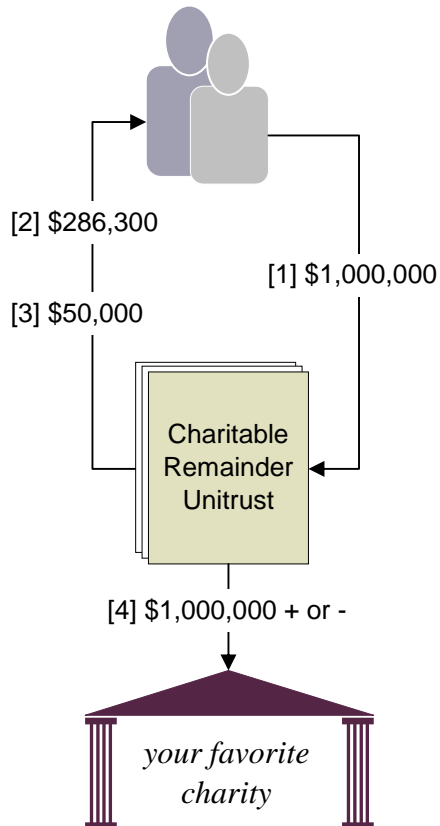


[3] For purposes of this discussion, public charities are described in IRC §170(b)(1)(A). They include all qualified charitable organizations except private nonoperating foundations.

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Design Diagram

Income Interest for Two Lives

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Additionally, approximately \$200,000 in capital gains taxes will be saved upon the sale of the assets transferred to the trust because the trust is tax-exempt.

Assumptions

Date of transfer	February 3, 2014
Payment frequency	Quarterly
The number of months from the valuation date and the first payout for the first full taxable year of the trust	3
The discount rate (effective 2/2014) is	2.4%
The mortality table used in the calculation is based on the census taken in	2000
10% remainder interest test	Passed
Type of asset gifted	Long Term Capital Gain
Ordinary income tax bracket of donor	39.60%
Capital gains tax bracket of donor	20%

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Summary of Benefits Graphs

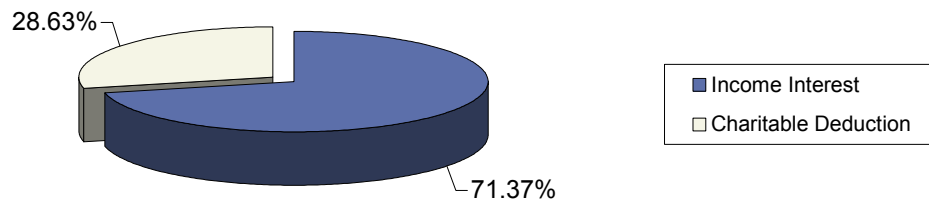
Calculations Based on Two Lives

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A. Deduction Summary

Fair market value of asset transferred	\$1,000,000
Estimated present value of income interest for beneficiaries (with no investment assumptions)	\$713,700
Present value of remainder interest = the tax deduction	\$286,300
10% remainder interest test	Passed

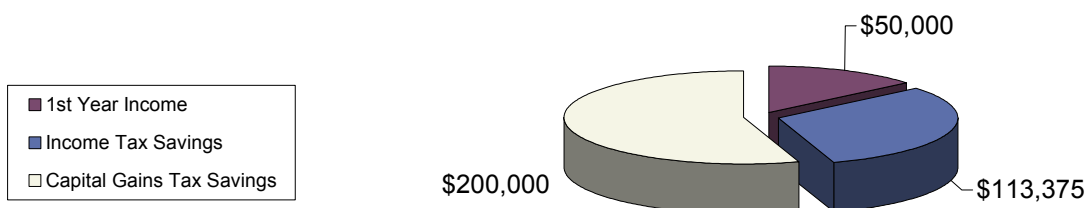
Charitable Deduction



B. Tax Savings and Income Summary

Approximate first year income (payout rate times value of property transferred)	\$50,000
Approximate income tax savings from deduction (over a period of up to 6 years)	\$113,375
Approximate capital gains tax savings through gift	\$200,000

First Year Benefits



Charitable Remainder Unitrust Deduction Calculation

Deduction Calculation for Two Lives

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A. Input Assumptions:

Date of transfer	February 3, 2014
Fair market value of asset transferred	\$1,000,000
Unitrust payout rate	5%
Payment frequency	Quarterly
The number of months from the valuation date and the first payout for the first full taxable year of the trust	3
The discount rate (effective 2/2014) is	2.4%
The mortality table used in the calculation is based on the census taken in	2000

Beneficiary Name	Age	Term of Income Interest
Phil	62	For life from the start of the trust
Betty	60	For life from the start of the trust

B. Calculation of Present Value of Remainder Interest Factor: (Interpolation of Table U factor for Two Lives)

1. Factor from Table F based on the payment period, the number of months between the valuation date and the first payment date, and the discount rate	0.985308
2. Adjusted payout rate (Table F factor * payout rate)	4.92654%
3. The nearest usable payout rate less than the Line 2 rate	4.8%
4. Line 2 minus Line 3	0.126540%
5. Line 4 divided by .20 percent	0.632700
6. Factor from Table U at the Line 3 rate	0.295190
7. Factor from Table U at the rate .20 percent higher than the Line 3 rate	0.281140
8. Line 6 minus Line 7	0.014050
9. Line 8 times Line 5 (interpolation adjustment)	0.008890
10. Present value of remainder interest factor (Line 6 - Line 9)	0.286300

C. Calculation of Tax Deduction for Charitable Remainder Unitrust:

1. Fair market value of asset transferred	\$1,000,000
2. Present value of remainder interest in unitrust factor as a percent	28.63%
3. Present value of remainder interest = the tax deduction (Line 1 * Line 2)	\$286,300
4. 10% remainder interest test	Passed

Charitable Remainder Unitrust Multiple Payout Rates

Multiple Payout Rates for Two Lives

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A. Input Assumptions:

Date of transfer	February 3, 2014
Fair market value of asset transferred	\$1,000,000
Unitrust payout rate	5%
Starting unitrust payout rate	5%
Payout rate increment	0.25%
Number of calculations	10
Payment frequency	Quarterly
The number of months from the valuation date and the first payout for the first full taxable year of the trust	3
The discount rate (effective 2/2014) is	2.4%
The mortality table used in the calculation is based on the census taken in	2000

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B. Deduction Calculations:

	Payout Rate	Charitable Deduction	First Year Unitrust Payout	10% Remainder Test
1	5%	\$286,300	\$50,000	Passed
2	5.25%	\$269,610	\$52,500	Passed
3	5.5%	\$253,990	\$55,000	Passed
4	5.75%	\$239,390	\$57,500	Passed
5	6%	\$225,660	\$60,000	Passed
6	6.25%	\$212,760	\$62,500	Passed
7	6.5%	\$200,630	\$65,000	Passed
8	6.75%	\$189,330	\$67,500	Passed
9	7%	\$178,690	\$70,000	Passed
10	7.25%	\$168,690	\$72,500	Passed

Questions and Answers

Following are frequently asked questions regarding charitable remainder unitrusts:

Are charitable remainder unitrusts recognized by the IRS?

Yes, charitable remainder unitrusts were formally created by the Tax Reform Act of 1969 and are described in section 664 of the Internal Revenue Code. Charitable remainder unitrusts are qualified for income, gift, and estate tax purposes. There are more than 80,000 charitable remainder unitrusts in operation today.

Who can receive income from the unitrust?

In most cases, income is paid to the donor and the donor's spouse. In addition, other individuals (such as children or grandchildren) can receive income; however, the donor must consider the possible gift and estate tax implications of such transfers.

If you name an individual other than yourself or your spouse as an income recipient of a charitable remainder unitrust, you may trigger gift or estate tax on the transfer. These rules can be fairly complex. Consult your professional advisors.

What is the highest payout rate I can select?

The tax rules say the maximum allowable annuity or payout is 50%. As a practical rule, however, most unitrusts carry payout rates of between 5% and 10%.

There are several reasons. First, most charitable remainder unitrusts are designed to pay income to the donor for their lifetimes. A unitrust with a 50% payout rate would quickly exhaust its assets. In the case of a unitrust, most people want their incomes to increase from year to year to offset inflation. To accomplish this, they choose payout rates that, given a conservative investment return, will enable the unitrust to meet its payment obligations and continue to grow.

The second reason is even more important. Recent changes in the tax rules require that in order for a charitable remainder unitrust to be qualified, the present value of the future charitable gift (Which equals the income tax deduction) must be at least 10% of the amount transferred to the unitrust. This rule is designed to ensure that a portion of unitrust ultimately is distributed to charity.

There is no need to worry, however, because tests can be easily performed to ensure qualification prior to a unitrust being created.

Questions and Answers

What types of assets can be contributed to a charitable remainder unitrust?

Although some charitable remainder unitrusts are funded with cash, the majority of unitrusts are funded with highly appreciated assets such as marketable securities, real estate, tangible personal property such as art and other collectibles, or stock in a C-corporation.

What types of assets should NOT be contributed to a charitable remainder unitrust?

There are a few types of assets that are not generally compatible with charitable remainder unitrusts. They include real property that is debt-encumbered or that is contaminated with hazardous materials, and assets that produce unrelated business taxable income, such as sole proprietorships, certain partnerships, and some types of real estate.

Can I name more than one charitable beneficiary to receive a remainder interest?

Yes, there is no limit on the number of charitable organizations that can benefit from your unitrust. In addition, you can name them irrevocably or reserve the right to change them if you desire. You may also designate how the proceeds will be used.

At what level of financial contribution does a charitable remainder unitrust make sense?

A charitable remainder unitrust is an individually designed and drafted unitrust instrument. The unitrust is also individually managed and is required to file annual tax and information returns with the IRS and state tax authorities. The average amount held by charitable remainder unitrusts nationally is approximately \$300,000; however, the availability of automated administration and investment management makes consideration of smaller amounts possible.